

2000 Flash Flood / River Flood Related Fatalities

In 2000, flooding (flash floods, river floods and urban/small stream floods) contributed to 38 fatalities, down significantly from the 1999 total of 68. The 10-year average for floods deaths is 89. Of the 38 victims, most (24) died in a vehicle trying to cross a flooded roadway. The remaining fatalities occurred in the water (7) or while boating (4). Flood-related fatalities are probably the most preventable. Most vehicular deaths occur when people attempt to drive across flooded roadways. Texas recorded the most flooding deaths with 9, followed by Illinois with 4 and California, Ohio and West Virginia with 3 each.

Flash floods caused 30 deaths; river and stream floods caused 8. In 2000, the majority (61%) of flood fatalities were male. Almost two-thirds of the deaths were in the 20- to 59-year-age groups. However, children 0 to 9 years of age accounted for 15 percent of flood fatalities.

2000 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION									
<u>STATE</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>IW</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AZ	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
CA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
CO	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
IA	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
IL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
IN	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
KY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
MN	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
ND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
NY	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
OH	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
OK	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
SC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TX	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	8	9
VA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
WI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
WV	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	4	0	0	7	0	3	0	24	38
PERCENT	11	0	0	18	0	8	0	63	100

2000 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER					
	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	1	3	0	4	11
10 TO 19	1	4	0	5	13
20 TO 29	4	7	0	11	29
30 TO 39	0	3	0	3	8
40 TO 49	2	0	0	2	5
50 TO 59	4	3	0	7	18
60 TO 69	2	2	0	4	11
70 TO 79	0	1	0	1	3
80 TO 89	1	0	0	1	3
90 TO --	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	23	0	38	100*
PERCENT	39	61	0	100	

(* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

LEGEND	
BO	- Boat
BU	- Business
CA	- Camping
IW	- In Water
MH	- Mobile Home
OT	- Other/Unknown
PH	- Permanent Home
VE	- Vehicle

2000 Flash Flood / River Flood Related Fatalities (Continued)

2000 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY STATE

<u>STATE</u>	<u>FLASH FLOOD</u>	<u>RIVER FLOOD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AZ	1	0	1
CA	1	2	3
CO	1	0	1
IA	0	2	2
IL	3	1	4
IN	1	0	1
KY	1	0	1
MN	1	0	1
MO	2	0	2
ND	2	0	2
NY	1	0	1
OH	0	3	3
OK	1	0	1
SC	1	0	1
TX	9	0	9
VA	1	0	1
WI	1	0	1
WV	3	0	3
TOTAL	30	8	38
PERCENT	79	21	100

2000 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY GENDER

	<u>FLASH FLOOD</u>	<u>RIVER FLOOD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
FEMALE	12	3	15	39
MALE	18	5	23	61
UNKNOWN	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	30	8	38	100
PERCENT	79	21	100	